UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

COMANCHE NATION, OKLAHOMA,)
Plaintiff,)
vs.) Case No. CIV-05-328-F
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; et al)))
Defendants.)

PLAINTIFF'S RESPONSE TO MOTION TO INTERVENE AS PARTY-DEFENDANT BY FORT SILL APACHE TRIBE

Plaintiff, Comanche Nation, by and through its undersigned counsel, OBJECTS to the intervention of the Fort Sill Apache Tribe ("FSA Tribe") in this matter as a party-defendant pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 24(a)(2) on the same grounds set forth in *Plaintiff's Reply to Defendant's Response to Motion for TRO and Preliminary Injunction* (Docket #28) arguing that FSA Tribe is not an indispensable party. However, Plaintiff does NOT object to "permissive intervention" in this matter by FSA Tribe pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 24(b). Therefore, this Court should GRANT movant's PERMISSIVE INTERVENTION in accordance with Fed. R. Civ. P. 24(b).

Respectfully submitted,

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